

**SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000**  
**PUBLIC LAW 106-393**  
**TITLE II PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM**  
**USDA FOREST SERVICE**

**Name of Resource Advisory Committee: Fresno Co.**  
**Project Number** (Assigned by Designated Federal Official):  
**Funding Fiscal Year(s): 2009/2010**

<b>2. Project Name: Chawanakee Learning Center – Waste Water Management System upgrade</b>	<b>3a. State: California</b> <b>3b. County(s): Fresno</b>
<b>4. Project Submitted By: Steve Haze, Sierra RCD</b>	<b>5. Date: December 8, 2009</b>
<b>6. Contact Phone Number: 559.855.5840</b>	<b>7. Contact E-mail: stevehaze007@gmail.com</b>

<b>8. Project Location: Chawanakee Learning Center, 46964 Lower Redinger Road, Fresno Co.</b>	
a. National Forest(s): Sierra	b. Forest Service District: High Sierra
c. Location (Township-Range-Section) T9S/R24E/ Section 18	

<b>9. Project Goals and Objectives:</b> Replace non-functional septic waste water management system for public use facility in Sierra National Forest known as the Chawanakee Learning Center owned and operated by the San Joaquin River Intertribal Heritage Educational Corporation (501c3) under a 10 year Special Use Permit with the USDA-U.S. Forest Service.
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<b>10. Project Description:</b> a. Brief: Installation of a replacement septic waste water management system for public use at Chawanakee Learning Center  b. Detailed: The purpose of the grant is to replace the septic waste water management water infrastructure at the Chawanakee Learning Center. The existing waste water management system is non-repairable and must be replaced for public use of the facilities. The purpose of this grant is to purchase the system components – and establish as required a leach line arrangement into the existing sewer line.
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<b>11. Types of Lands Involved? School site in High Sierra District of Sierra National Forest</b>
State/Private/Other lands involved? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>Land Status: Managed by Sierra National Forest</b>
If Yes, specify:

<b>12. How does the proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation?</b> (Check at least 1)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure.
<input type="checkbox"/> Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems.
<input type="checkbox"/> Restores and improves land health.
<input type="checkbox"/> Restores water quality

<b>13. Project Type</b>	
a. Check all that apply: (check at least 1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Decommission/Obliteration	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): Public Facility waste management system	
<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Productivity Improvement	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Health Improvement
<input type="checkbox"/> Watershed Restoration & Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Habitat Restoration
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration	<input type="checkbox"/> Control of Noxious Weeds
<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish Native Species	<input type="checkbox"/> Fuels Management/Fire Prevention
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Economic Benefit	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify):
b. Primary Purpose (select only 1): Infrastructure maintenance	

<b>14. Identify What the Project Will Accomplish</b>
Miles of road maintained: N/A
Miles of road decommissioned/obliterated: N/A
Number of structures maintained/improved: Three school buildings and full campus complex
Acres of soil productivity improved: N/A
Miles of stream/river restored/improved: N/A
Miles of fish habitat restored/improved: N/A
Acres of native species reestablished: N/A
Miles of trail maintained: N/A
Miles of trial obliterated: N/A
Acres of forest health improved (including fuels reduction): N/A
Acres of rangeland improved: N/A
Acres of wildlife habitat restored/improved: N/A
Acres of noxious weeds controlled: N/A
Timber volume generated: N/A

Number of jobs generated: 3 – temporary jobs 3 – 5 Voluntary Jobs
People reached (for environmental education projects/fire prevention): 25
Direct economic activity benefit: Temporary jobs created – and expanded public use of improved facilities
Other:

<b>15. Estimated Project Start Date: 3/2010</b>	<b>16. Estimated Project Completion Date: 06/2010</b>
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**17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved? List known partnerships or collaborative opportunities.**

This is a cooperative arrangement between the Sierra Resource Conservation District, (SRCD) and the San Joaquin River Intertribal Heritage Educational Corporation (SJRIHEC). The SRCD and SJRIHEC have established a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to partner together for these types of initiatives. Also, the SJRIHEC and U.S. Forest Service have entered into a Special Use Permit that will span from 2001 through December, 2016. In addition other groups, corporations and individuals expected to participate include the following:

1. North Fork Mono Rancheria – TANF (Tribal Assistance for Needy Families) Program
2. Owen Valley Career Development Center (OVCDC) tribal program
3. Steve Starcher, Fresno Office of Education Watershed Educator and Licensed General, plumbing and electrical Contractor
4. RiverTree Volunteers (RTV)
5. San Joaquin River Trail Council (SJRTC)

**18. How is this project in the best interest of the community? Identify benefits to communities.**

Once the improvements are implemented, this will allow for the full time public use and programs at Chawanakee Learning Center a former K-8 educational campus situated next to the San Joaquin River near the eastern Madera/Fresno County line at Italian Bar road. Since 2001, the campus has been owned and operated by the San Joaquin River Intertribal Heritage Educational Corporation (SJRIHEC) a 501c3 Native American/Multicultural organization under a Special Use Permit with the U.S. Forest Service through 2016 (<http://www.intertribalcenter.org/>).

Currently, the facilities are used on a limited basis in which key renovation actions such as the septic waste management system are required in order to more fully operate watershed, natural resources, scientific, cultural, vocational and artistic/craft programs for children and adults.

The implementation of a septic waste water management system at the Chawanakee Learning Center will increase the public's health, safety and welfare first and foremost. The sewer line is on site and in place. To date, the educational, cultural and recreational programs for the public have been limited in scope due to the absence of adequate restroom facilities.

Awarding of the grant requested will leverage nearly 1:1 in monies; materials and in-kind donations.

**19. How does the project benefit federal lands/resources? N/A**

<b>20. What is the Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment?</b> (check at least 1)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grant	<input type="checkbox"/> Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> Americorps	<input type="checkbox"/> CCC Crews
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): TANF and OVCDC Tribal Programs	

**21. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials?** ☐ Yes ☒ No

<b>22. Anticipated Project Costs</b>
a. Title II Funds Requested: \$8,500
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**23. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding:** \$2,500 – existing sewer line; Sierra RCD - \$1,500 in-kind Project Management and Financial Management of Services; \$1,000 – In-kind General, plumbing and electrical Contracting; \$2,000 estimated from TANF/OVCDC match.

**24. Monitoring Plan (provide as attachment)**

- Provide a plan that describes your process for tracking and explaining the effects of this project on your environmental and community goals outlined above.
- Identify who will conduct the monitoring:
- Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Worksheet 1, Item k):

**25. Identify remedies for failure to comply with the terms of the agreement.**

If project cannot be completed under the terms of this agreement:

☒ Unused funds will be returned to the RAC account.

☒ Other, please explain:

Sierra RCD is a governmental entity under the California State Constitution that has been in existence since 1956. The Board of Directors is confirmed by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors – and/or its staff has managed over \$1 million in federal, state and local funds from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation; Federal Highway and Transportation Administration (TE); County of Fresno; CALTRANS; State Water Resources Control Board and California Department of Water Resources. They are also in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service on trail construction projects. This includes \$500,000 with the DWR; \$300,000 with SWRCB; \$49,000 with Fresno Regional Foundation; \$475,000 with Fresno County and CALTRANS – and many other resource management grants.

**Project Recommended By:**

/s/ (INSERT Signature)

**Chairperson**

Resource Advisory Committee

**Project Approved By:**

/s/ (INSERT Signature)

**Forest Supervisor**

National Forest

**Project Cost Analysis Worksheet**

Worksheet 1

Please submit this worksheet with your proposal

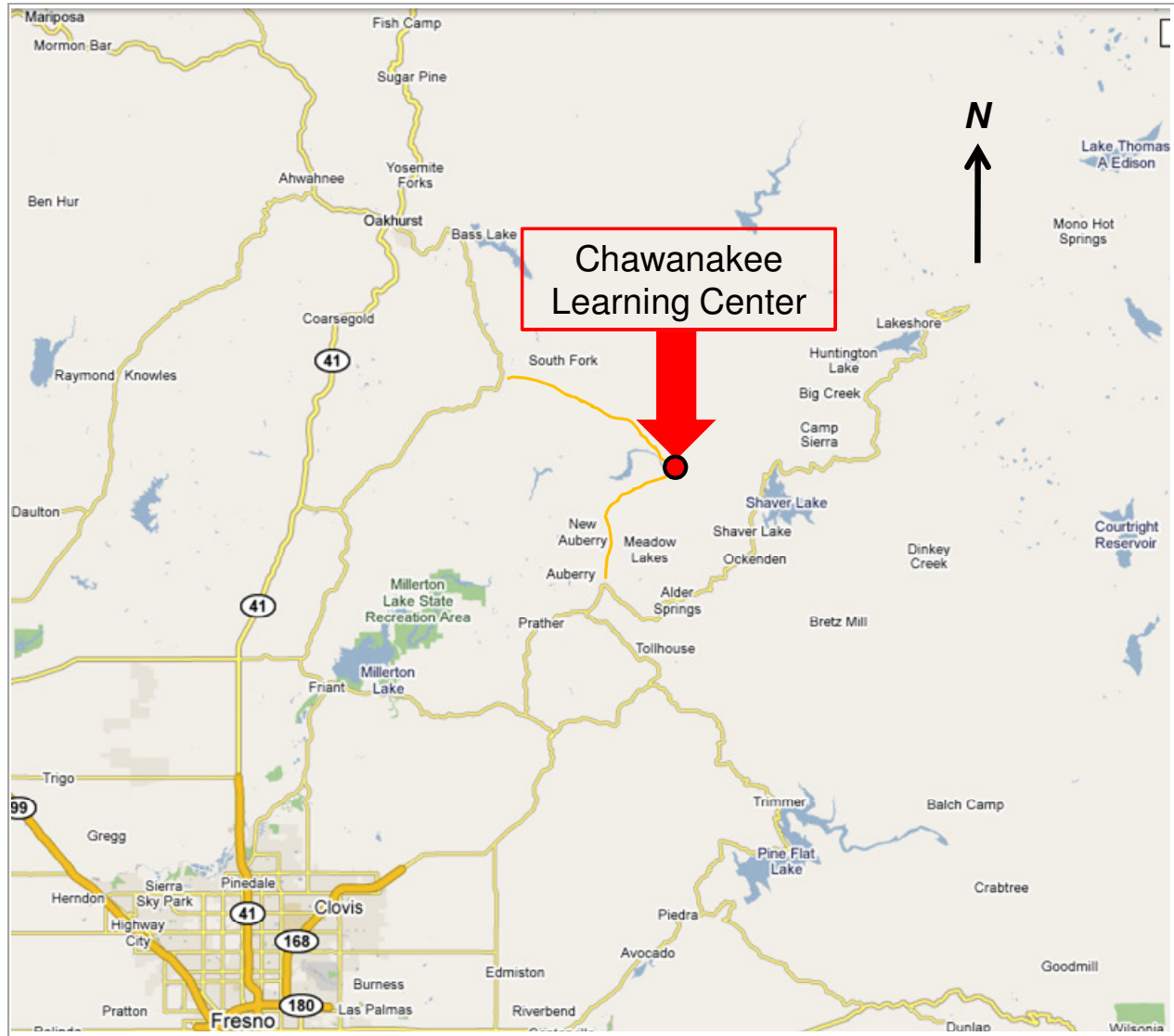
Item	Column A Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution	Column B Requested Title II Contribution	Column C Other Contributions	Column D Total Available Funds
a. Field Work & Site Surveys	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
b. NEPA/CEQA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
c. ESA Consultation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
d. Permit Acquisition	0	250	0	250
e. Project Design & Engineering	0	500	500	1,000
f. Contract/Grant Preparation	0	500	500	1,000
g. Contract/Grant Administration	0	500	500	1,000
h. Contract/Grant Cost	0	250	0	250
i. Salaries	0	2,000	2,500	4,500
j. Materials & Supplies	0	4,500	2,500	7,500
k. Monitoring	0	0	500	5,000
l. Other	0	0	0	0
m. Project Sub-Total	0	8,500	8,000	16,500
n. Indirect Costs	0	0	0	0
<b>o. Total Cost Estimate</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>\$16,500</b>

NOTES:

- a. Pre-NEPA Costs
- g. Includes Contracting/Grant Officer Representative (COR) costs. Excludes Contracting/Grant Officer costs.
- i. Cost of implementing project
- l. Examples include overhead charges from other partners, vehicles, equipment rentals, travel, etc.
- n. Contracting/Grant Officer costs, if needed, are included as part of Indirect Costs.

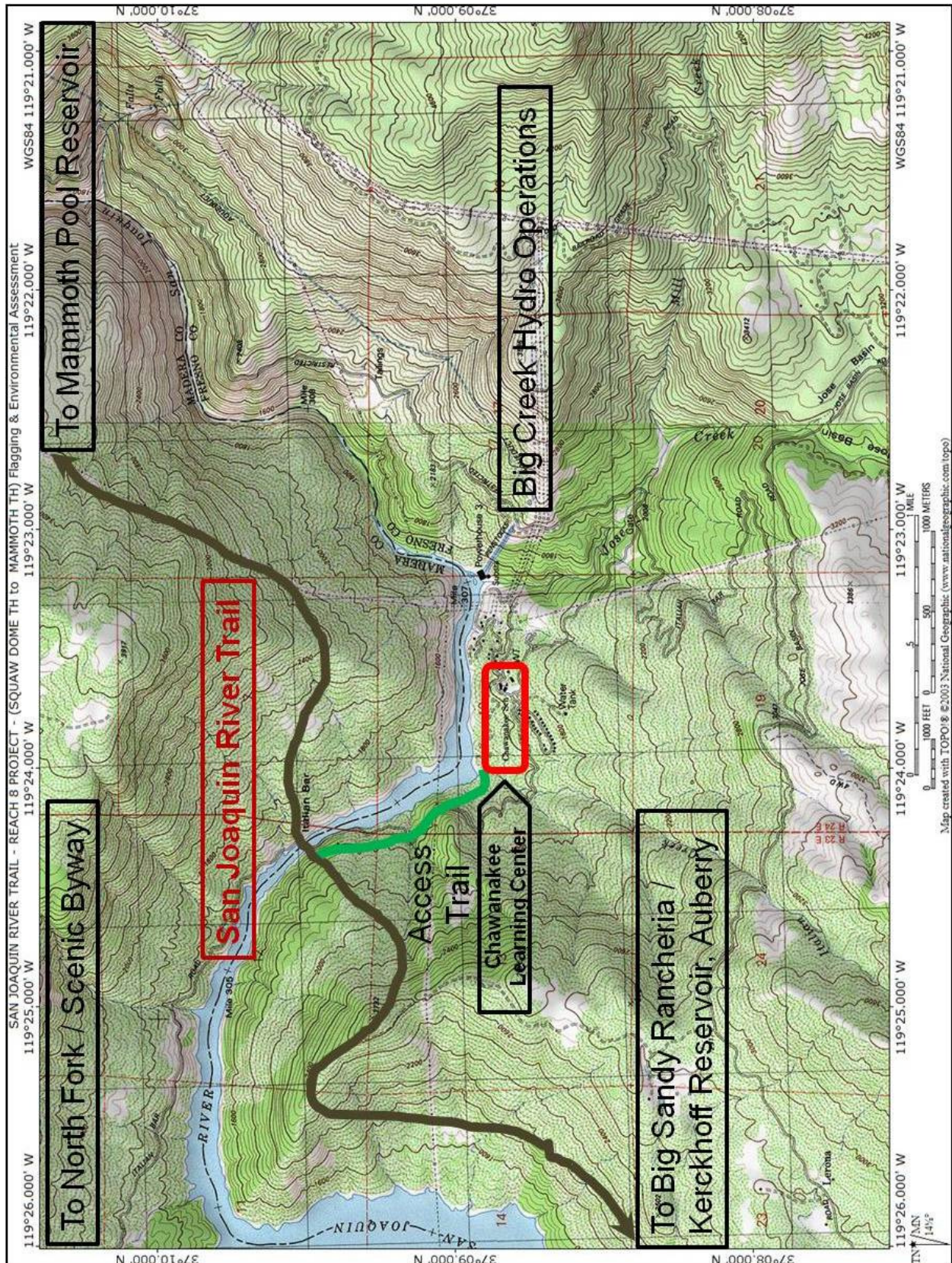
## Project Location Map

Chawanakee Learning Center  
46964 Lower Redinger Road, Fresno County  
(559) 855-7020





# Topographic Map – Chawanakee Learning Center Project Site





## Satellite Image – Chawanakee Learning Center Project Site





## Project Site Plan – Chawanakee Learning Center

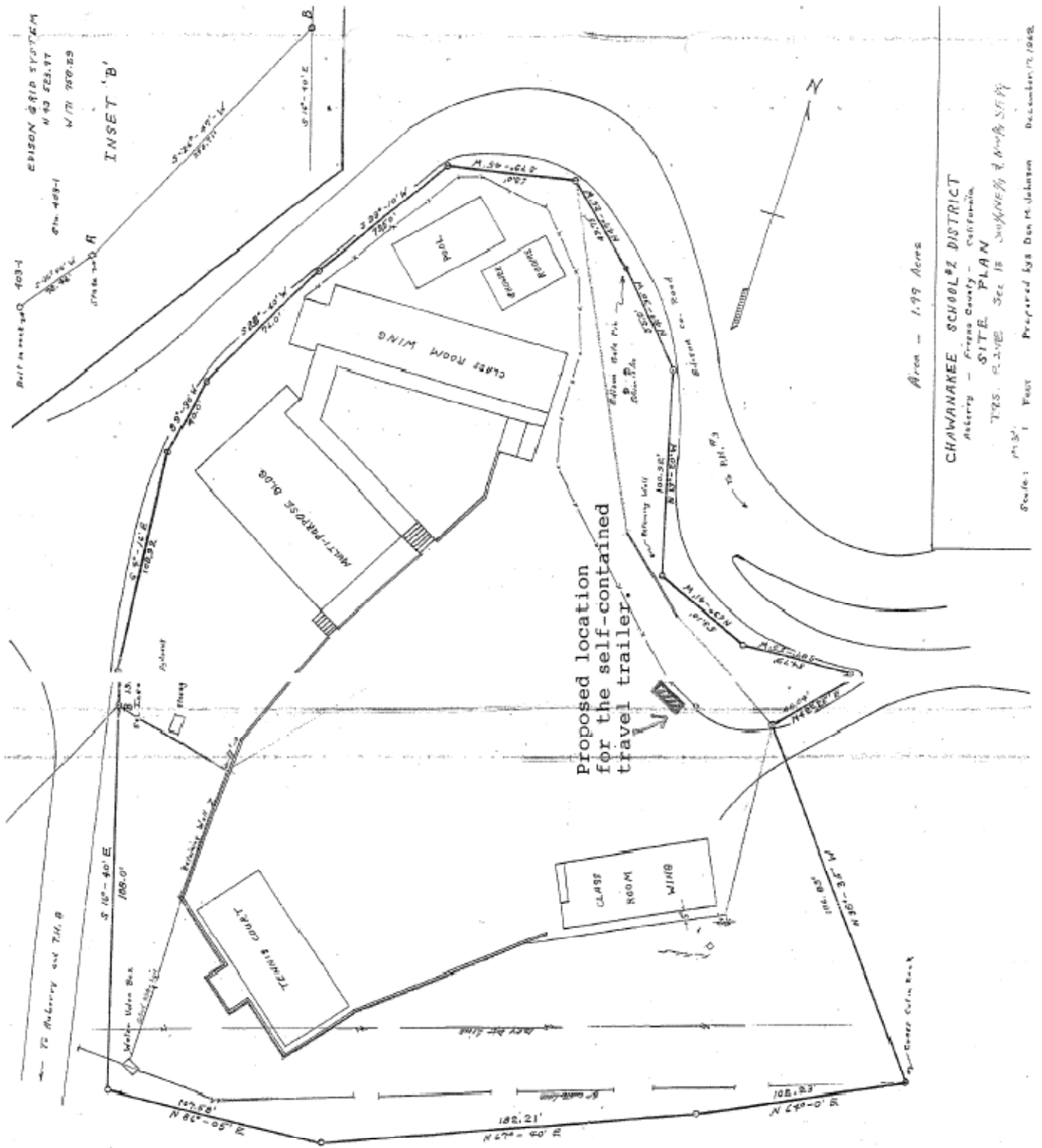


EXHIBIT A

## **Monitoring Plan for Chawanakee Waste Water Management System Project**

Provide a Plan that describes the monitoring measurements and identifies who will conduct the monitoring for the following areas:

1. Ecosystem management goals and objectives: Not Applicable – project on existing development footprint
2. Objectives for effects on local employment and training: Recruitment and training with local communities and tribes through existing partnerships and collaborations. This will include outreach within local tribal programs such as TANF and Owens Valley Career Development Center.
3. Private Landowner participants: Not Applicable on National Forest Lands. Facilities owned and operated by San Joaquin River Intertribal Heritage Education Corporation (501c3) under Special Use Permit with Forest Service through December, 2016.
4. Objectives for forest products and value-added opportunities: Not Applicable – project is maintenance/upgrade of existing facilities on National Forest lands.

The following is the Project Timeline with primary tasks and descriptions; with organizational responsibilities assigned:

			<b>Timeline</b>					
	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	Mar-10	Apr-10	May-10	Jun-10		
<b>1</b>	Site Survey	A, B	X					
<b>2</b>	Project Design and Engineering	A, B		X				
<b>3</b>	Permit Acquisition	A, B, C		X				
<b>4</b>	Staking and Placement of improvements	A, B, C		X				
<b>5</b>	Grant Acquisition / Administration	A	X	X	X	X		
<b>6</b>	Salaries and Contracting	A	X	X	X	X		
<b>7</b>	Project Site Management & Implementation	A, B	X	X	X	X		
<b>8</b>	Procurement of Materials and Supplies	A			X	X		
<b>9</b>	Project Inspection & Quality Assurance	A, B, C		X	X	X		
<b>10</b>	Progress and Final Reporting	A, B	X	X	X	X		

**NOTE: Project conformance to all permitting and building codes is under the jurisdiction of the US Forest Service and Fresno County.**

**A** – Sierra Resource Conservation District  
**B** – General Contractor  
**C** – US Forest Service and/or Fresno County